

RAT PORTAGE MINER

CHAS. BRENT REPLIES TO E. T. LECLAIR.

Another Statement From Mr. Brent Regarding the Ash Rapids Mining Co.

Mr. Brent has handed us the following letter which was published in the Detroit Journal, also some extracts of correspondence.

Editor The Journal:—A copy of the Journal of the 23rd ult. has been forwarded to me here, in which certain statements and affidavits of President LeClair and Treasurer Neilson, of the Ash Rapids Company, are published. In reply I desire to state that I do not attempt to deny having had some correspondence with the Ash Rapids officials with regard to reopening the Boulder mine, but I do state positively that as soon as I saw the prospectus of the company I at once took steps to have my position with regard to this company defined. I do not deny having written a letter to G. J. Ross, of Rat Portage, on the subject of the "Lucky Strike," or S312, which is now known as the Ash Rapids claim. The statements in that letter are all true and I regard the "Lucky Strike" as a promising prospect. I deny, however, that this letter is a report and wish to direct your readers' attention to the essential difference between the statements made in that letter and the statement attributed to me in the prospectus of the Ash Rapids Company. I quote from the prospectus:—"Mr. Charles Brent (Brent) mining engineer and government geologist, considered one of the best, most careful and conscientious experts in Canada, made a careful examination of this property and in his report spoke of it in the most glowing terms. He says the vein contact and formation are identical in every respect with the famous Mikado and in fact the vein may be easily traced in a continuous line from the Mikado to Ash Rapids." I quote from my letter to Mr. Ross: "Geological Formation—

The property is situated in a belt of altered trap lying between two bosses of eruptive granite. N.B. It may be noted that the Mikado, Bullion, Cedar Island, etc., lie around the base of the western boss.

"I consider the 'Lucky Strike' a very promising prospect. It is in a very good neighborhood, being in the eastern edge of the mass of eruptive granite, on which are situated the noted Mikado, Bullion and other rich mines."

These statements are true, but the quotations from the Ash Rapids Co.'s prospectus are false.

To bolster up their position and to reconcile the difference between my statements, and their statements in the prospectus, the president, Mr. LeClair, and the treasurer, Mr. Neilson, have resorted to sworn statements for which I shall hold them personally responsible. I quote from LeClair's affidavit: "And affiant further states that afterward said Brent in the presence of Carl O. Neilson, the treasurer of the Ash Rapids Gold Mining Company, a banker of Sandusky, O., and affiant, at the offices of said Brent in Rat Portage, Ont., said that one of the veins of said mining location S312 had been by him traced directly into the property of the Mikado mine." I wish to state positively that I never made such an absurd statement. I quote from Neilson's affidavit: "And affiant further states that he has read that portion of Mr. LeClair's affidavit relative to a vein of mining location S312, having been traced by said Brent into the property of the Mikado mine and affiant states that said Brent did so state to affiant and Mr. LeClair that he had traced one of the veins of S312 into the property of the Mikado mine." I never had any conversation with either LeClair or Neilson about S312 or the Lucky strike.

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sight to warrant the erection of a stamp mill; that there are "thousands of tons of ore on the dump," or that to quote again, "We have enough ore in sight to keep 1,000 stamps busy continuously for the next hundred years."

I am informed that the Ash Rapids company is capitalized at \$25,000,000, with 11,000,000 shares in the treasury. What has become of the other 13,500,000 shares? Has the Ash Rapids company paid the Boulder company 13,500,000 shares for the Boulder properties? Is the Boulder company receiving cash and shares as a consideration for the Boulder properties? I should advise the investing public to have these questions answered before buying any more Ash Rapids stock.

I append extract from a letter from W. L. Appleford, manager of the Ash Rapids Co., dated December 10th, 1900, in which he asks me if I have made a report on Ash Rapids claim and my reply of 14th in which I expressly state that I have made no report:

"I understand that you made a report on either the Ash Rapids property known as S382, or JCS2 known as the Sturgeon Lake. If so, kindly send us a copy of these reports that we may embody same in our new prospectus. Please hasten this thing along, Mr. Brent."

To which I replied as follows:—

"I have not issued a report on either the Ash Rapids property (S382) or your Sturgeon Lake property (JCS2). I shall be pleased to examine either or both of these properties at any time."

Rat Portage a Port of Entry.

Ottawa, April 17.—The towns of Rat Portage, Parry Sound and New Glasgow have been erected into full ports of customs entry.

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GAUDAUR TO STAY HERE

Unfounded Reports Published in Toronto that World's Champion Will Leave.

Two or three Toronto papers have this week contained announcements with big headings, that J. G. Gaudaur, the world's champion oarsman had decided to leave Rat Portage and take up his residence in Toronto.

Mr. Gaudaur is away on a shooting trip at the present time and we were unable to get a refutation from himself, but the manager of his business—the Russell House—gave THE MINER authority to state that there was no truth whatever in the rumored change, and that Mr. Gaudaur would continue to make Rat Portage his home.

Mr. Gaudaur has been eminently successful in business here, and he believes there is no town in Canada where his chances of continued success are so bright. He will continue to keep in training as heretofore and is willing to arrange a race for the championship on suitable terms with anyone who desires the coveted honor.

Mr. Gaudaur has the tenderest feelings towards Toronto and will always bear the kindest remembrances of the magnificent reception tendered to him by its people on his return from England with the world's championship in his pocket. However, he has no intention at present of leaving Rat Portage and taking up his residence in the Queen City. The world's champion recognizes that with the establishment of the big pulp mill and other industries here, and the renewed activity in mining, no other town in Canada will make the same progress that is in store for Rat Portage during the next few years.

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extensively worked over at a profit, using a system of concentrating by running water as in placer gold diggings.

The beach sands on the coast of Brazil have also produced a considerable quantity.

Monazite is reddish brown to yellow in color, usually forming beds of sand along with other heavy minerals, such as magnetite, gold, zircons, garnets, sphenes, erandum, etc. It is difficult to distinguish from the minerals with which it is found and may be passed over as of no value, as it may easily be mistaken for rusty quartz, corundum sphenes, zircon, etc.

Its hardness is 5 to 5.5 and can be scratched by ordinary red felspar or quartz. It has a resinous lustre when pure.

It is quite probable that this important mineral occurs in Ontario as zircons are known to be widely distributed in Ontario, especially found in pegmatites and gneiss, also in mica deposits in Eastern Ontario.

As the mineral when fairly pure is worth about \$10 per ton, heavy sands found in river beds and shores of lakes may be worth investigation.

The Provincial Assay Office, at Belleville, will identify free of charge all examples supposed to be valuable if brought to the laboratory and at a nominal charge if sent in for examination with a written report.

Renewed Interest in Mining.

Paul Gasse, the well-known mining man, of the Manitowish district, is in town. He has just returned from a business trip to St. Paul and West Superior. He states that interest in mining in this district among St. Paul and Minneapolis people is steadily increasing, and he has assurances that as soon as navigation opens a number of people will come here to investigate our mineral resources. They have plenty of money to put into thorough reliable mining properties. Mr. Gasse believes that if these people are treated in a fair manner by the prospectors that the present summer will witness considerably more development than has heretofore been the case. He is confident that the Manitowish district possesses a number of properties of undoubted value, and that their exploitation will enrich their owners.

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with the rapidity that it was desired, without the aid of outside capital. This was certain to be forthcoming, but they wanted their fellow British subjects to share in their prosperity.

While Canada was engaged in working out its destiny, the people were not forgetting what was expected of them as citizens of the Empire. They regard themselves equally British with those who had been born and who had lived in any part of the United Kingdom, and consequently "Imperial Sentiment" was strong there. They knew the great advantages they had derived from the union of the different parts of British North America, and many of them thought that the time had come for the closer unity of the Empire—a problem which was gradually solving itself. With Canada united, with Australia united, with the union of British South Africa—as soon as the memory of recent events had become less acute—the possibility of closer Imperial unity became more hopeful.

It could not be expected that things would long continue as at present, in view of the important British communities that were growing up everywhere, and in the minds of all thinking men there was a feeling that something had to be done to make the Empire more homogeneous than at present. It was this Imperial Sentiment, said Lord Strathcona, in conclusion, that had made Great Britain what it was, and its continuance and legitimate development would assure the integrity of the Empire being maintained, he hoped and believed, for all time to come.

Pocket Mines.

There is no good foundation for prejudice against "pocket" mines, says the Mining and Scientific Press. Nearly all mines are more or less pocket or spotted. A real pocket mine is one where an exceedingly rich bunch of ore occurs occasionally, while the rest of the vein is comparatively barren. Sometimes it takes all the money found in one pocket to carry on the work to reach the next. Occasionally six months or a year's work is spent before a good pocket is found. Some of the pocket mines have been worked for a number of years in a sort of intermittent way, but have been found to pay in the end. The ledges of these mines are usually small. But even in the chipmunks of good, well defined wide ledges there are poor and rich spots—not so marked, of course, as in the true pocket mine, but occurring nevertheless. Possibly the pocket mines will not hold out as long or warrant expensive plants, but then much less ore is mined. Sometimes a vein is pocketed and extremely rich on the surface, which, with depth attained,

NEWSPAPER MEN COMING

The Western Press Excursion Will Visit Us In June.

Geo. A. Graham, manager of the Rainy River Navigation Co., returned Wednesday from a business trip to Beaver Mills via Winnipeg. While in Winnipeg he made preliminary arrangements with some of the officials of the Western Press Association to hold their annual excursion to this district about the 18th of June. Last year they went to Montreal and Quebec by way of Chicago and Buffalo, but this year they think a shorter trip would be more desirable and believe that they could not do better than visit Rat Portage and take the boat trip as far as Mine Centre. The newspaper men have a desire to inform themselves regarding our great mineral and timber resources, and we hope that when they come here an effort will be made to entertain the party and also give them any information which may be desired.

The Western Press association numbers among its membership representatives of all the leading papers from Lake Superior to the coast. It is expected that about seventy-five will visit Rat Portage.

GIRL'S ESCAPE.

She Dons Boy's Clothing and Hires Out as a Sheep Herder.

Yankton, S. D., April 14.—Edith Kellogg, the 14-year-old daughter of Charles Kellogg, who lives south of Pukwana, left her home last Friday and made her way to that place. She wore a boy's coat and cap and carried a bundle containing a shirt and pair of trousers. On arriving there she went to a barber shop and had her hair cut short. From there she wandered out south of town and changed her clothes putting on boy's apparel. Proceeding on her journey, she arrived at Fred Kenna's house, where she hired out as a boy to herd sheep this summer. Mr. Kellogg came into town Monday afternoon looking for his daughter, and although he made diligent search he could find no trace of her. He started home and on his way stopped at Mr. Kenna's place and there found his daughter. Mr. Kellogg says the girl's mind must be affected, as she had never attempted to leave home before. The Kellogg family have sold their farm and are about ready to leave for Canada.

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Great For Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Ont., April 16. -Port Arthur is to have two additional international steamboat lines on the opening of navigation. W. A. Singer, of Duluth, has purchased the passenger steamers Bon Voyage, Bon Ami and Mabel Bradshaw, and will run one line between Duluth and Port Arthur semi-weekly; the other between Houghton, Ste. Royale and Port Arthur tri-weekly. This means that during the season of navigation Port Arthur will be within 24 hours distance of Chicago, going via Houghton and about 45 from St. Paul, via Duluth, while the mining districts of Houghton and Marquette are put in direct touch with the Canadian mining camps on the north shore of Lake Superior. Navigation will open by April 25. An ice-breaking steamer with 24 hours work could have opened it a month ago.

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To Flee to Europe.

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Rescued 194 Men.

St. John's, Nfld., April 16. -The sealing steamer Greenland arrived here this morning, having rescued 194 members of the crew of the sealing steamer Hope, which was wrecked on Bryon Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, A.R. are well. The Hope was broken up by the furious gales, but her cargo of 5,000 seals was saved.

Fearful weather was encountered by the Greenland.

Does Monazite Occur in Ontario.

Monazite is a mineral composed of numerous rare elements and has been but little known except by mineralogists till the last few years.

It is commercially valuable at the present time as it contains thorium, cerium, lanthanum and other rare elements, the oxides of which are employed in the manufacture of mantles, as in the Welsbach system of lighting. Light is produced by heating the mantles to incandescence, using coal oil, gasoline, water or natural gas as fuel.

This system of lighting is now being adopted for street and house lights in towns, in villages and also in mining camps.

The present supply of monazite comes from North Carolina, where it is found in eruptive granitic rocks and as a heavy sand in low-lying gravels and river bottoms, which are being

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Strathcona on Canadian Resources.

The Duke of Argyll presided on Monday night of last week at an address, delivered at the Imperial Institute, by Lord Strathcona, entitled "Canada and the Empire."

A reference was made to the loyalty and homogeneity of the Canadians of Scotch descent with the rest of the population, and a short account was given by Lord Strathcona of the methods of government. He referred to agriculture as the principal industry of the Dominion. And yet only a fringe of the land available for cultivation had been occupied and worked.

The forests formed another great source of wealth, for lumber and for wood pulp for the manufacture of paper. The mineral deposits, the wealth of which was now beginning to be recognized, had as yet, hardly been touched. The extensive fisheries formed another source of profit. Manufacturing industries were, moreover, rapidly springing into existence; indeed, it would be difficult to specify any article not now being made in the Dominion, from a button to a locomotive. A good many statistics were quoted to show the expansion in exports and imports; a gratifying feature being that although before the preferential tariff—under which the imports of Great Britain receive an advantage of 33 per cent. in the customs tariff over goods coming from all other countries—the imports from the United Kingdom had decreased, they were now on the increase. There had been a still greater increase in the imports from the United States, but these consisted chiefly of raw materials, which England did not export at all, or in the export of which she could not compete with the United States, owing to freight, contiguity and other considerations. The Americans were much more eager after the trade of Canada than our fellow subjects in the United Kingdom.

With regard to capital, the Canadians were not selfish. They were aware of the potentialities of the Dominion, and fully alive to the fact that its resources of wealth could not be fully exploited

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Her Majesty and Religion.

London, April 17. -The Quarterly Review contains a remarkable article on Queen Victoria, unsigned, but evidently written from an intimate knowledge during a period of 50 years. It throws a light upon many secret passages in the history of the reign, and contains a series of fresh anecdotes illustrating the queen's characteristic traits of trenchant humor and racy talk.

An explanation given of the queen's prejudice against Gladstone is that it started in the suspicion that he gave her too much work to do, until she was, as she put it, "dead beat." He tried in his eagerness to press her to do what she considered to be his work, and when she resented it, and he renewed the attempt, she formed a pernicious prejudice against him which never was removed.

The authorities state that it was always an element in her reticence with regard to Gladstone that he was too high church, and had the mind of a Jesuit.

The Queen's own attitude toward religion is discussed judiciously. The headship of the Anglican Church or Scotch Presbyterianism she considered to be a part of the business of statecraft, and did not trouble her conscience about it. Possibly the forgo of service which she preferred was that of the Presbyterian Church, but she was a broad churchwoman with no curiosity about creeds. She liked Roman Catholics much better than Anglican ritualists.

London, April 15.

The Duke of York will have new titles soon, but the nature of them is undecided. The King rather holds off conferring the title of the Prince of Wales. It is reported the title which meets his approval is Prince of Great Britain, as a commemoration of the Duke's tour of the colonies, which may have a tendency to unite Australia, Canada and other British possessions more closely to the Crown.

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SMALL FUR TRADE.

Trappers and Indians Demanding Higher Prices Than Formerly.

Ottawa, April 15. -William Kennedy of London, Eng., who is a representative of the Hudson's Bay Company, states that the fur trade this year was much smaller than in previous years. Since last March the prices for fox, lynx, wolf and muskrat skins have greatly decreased, but mink has risen considerably, while marten remains about the same. The prices for fox skins have decreased nearly 50 per cent. The greatest decrease is in the number of the beaver skins. Last year over 3,000 of these skins were offered for sale by the company, while this year there are scarcely any to be had. Last March there were over 25,000 skins of all kinds offered for sale by the company, while this year only about 100,000 have so far been received. The great majority of furs are received in England from Canada, some are imported from Europe. One noticeable exception to the decrease in skins is the mink, of which over 8,000 more have been received this year than last. Red fox has decreased from 11,000 to 5,000. The reason for this is that the craze for fox skins is over, and the prices have dropped, consequently the trappers do not waste any energy in trapping the animal. The fur trade, according to Mr. Kennedy, is becoming less and less every year, while the prices paid by the Hudson's Bay Company are increasing in proportion. The trappers and Indians demand higher prices for their furs than formerly.

An Irish Residence.

According to "Onlookers," a society paper, 145 acres of land have been acquired in Ireland for the erection of a royal residence. Plans for the building have been approved and work will commence shortly. The paper further announces that royalty will entertain on a large scale when the building is completed.

Bishop Bond of Montreal was elected Metropolitan of Canada at the meeting of Bishops.

tain that no country in the world has a greater extent of variety of minerals and it is highly satisfactory to know that capitalists and mining men are rapidly finding that fact out. Every encouragement should be given for development, but development in such a way that Canada will reap the benefit of her own products.—Toronto News.

WITNESS LECTURES PREMIER ROSS.

The flippant way in which Hon. Mr. Ross treated Mr. Whitney's reference in the Legislature last week to the circular said to be supplied to census enumerators in eastern Ontario has been the cause of considerable comment in a number of eastern papers. The Montreal Witness which has always been an admirer of the present Ontario Government takes Premier Ross to task as follows:

"Mr. Ross was surely very unhappy in his treatment of this matter. Surely it is of some importance to a Government that not its party, we hope, but some judicious members of it, should be guilty of trying to persuade or tempt the census enumerators to perjure themselves, and surely if some of the enumerators who were strong party men were tempted to do so, the result would be deplorable. If a Government treats such affairs as this one as matter of no consequence, it is certainly losing its moral position, and will soon forfeit the confidence of right thinking people."

Largest Vessel in the World.

The launch at Belfast on April 1 of the White Star Line "Ottie" was an event of considerable importance in the shipping world. This vessel is the largest ever built, and both the owners, Messrs. Ismay, Imrie & Co., and the builders, Messrs. Harland & Wolff, may be congratulated on the appropriateness of floating her at the dawn of a new century, for the old century's close saw the builders in safe possession of the record for big ships—11,865 tons was their average for 1898, and 11,300 tons for last year—and 20,000 tons is a decidedly promising effort in maintenance of this supremacy. The owners, too, are to be felicitated on the competitively sound way in which they are developing the ocean steamer. The story of the steamship need not be retold; its marvellous growth may now be left to the retrospective lookman. The aspect of the problem about which the trading world is concerned is how, in constant by exchanging modern conditions, the achievements of the engineer and the shipbuilder may have their greatest efficiency. One need not discuss the commercial results of high speed; the fast, luxuriously appointed Atlantic liner is a necessity of the age. But the filling up of new continents, the wonderful manufacturing growth of America, and the closer relationship of the whole business world have created conditions which absolutely call for a halt in the race for records. The blue ribbon of the Atlantic is not in the keeping of the White Star Line; yet its express boats are among the most popular that cross. The safety,



is his bedfellow. These troubles may be trifles in themselves, but they are the skirmishers and sharpshooters that march in advance of the great army of death-dealing disease.

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Honest druggists recommend it. The druggist who attempts to palm off upon you an inferior substitute, offers an insult to your intelligence.

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"For eight years I had very poor health," writes Mrs. M. B. Kitzmiller, of Bayard, Grant Co., W. Va. "The first two years I did not mind this bad feeling so much. I finally became too weak to walk about my room. I had headache, sick stomach, backache, tired feeling, low spirits, could not sleep at night, no appetite. I felt worried about everything. I did not care for company. I had doctored with several very good home physicians but received little relief. I so often had heard of Dr. R. V. Pierce's wonderful medicine I made up my mind to try it. I had no doubts as to how what my trouble was. I wrote to Dr. Pierce telling him some few symptoms of my bad feelings. By return mail I received a letter which gave me much satisfaction. He said I had indigestion and torpid liver, and advised me to use his 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I sent to the drug store and got one bottle of 'Discovery' and one box of 'Pleasant Pellets.' I used these medicines and they gave me great relief. In one month I was feeling well and could do the work of my family. My tired, stupid feeling was gone. I slept well at night, my appetite became good and I felt happy once more. It would save doctor bills for any family to have a copy of Dr. Pierce's splendid thousand-page free book, 'The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser,' explaining the laws of life and health in clear and interesting language, with many valuable suggestions and receipts for curing common ailments by simple home-treatment. It has over three hundred illustrations and colored plates. A strong paper-bound copy will be sent absolutely free, on receipt of 31 cents in one-cent stamps to pay the cost of postage and mailing. Write to the World's Dispensary, Medical Association, No. 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y. A handsome cloth-bound, beautifully stamped copy will be sent for 50 stamps."

One, tea, ham, eggs and bacon. I enjoyed your lecture, Mr. Harte. You had a most select audience."

"His answer even mentioned the autumn leaves."—New York Herald.

The Game of Life.

The laugh of a woman in company with the man she loves and has won from all other women is unlike anything else in civilization.—Thomas Hardy.

The game of life is a dangerous play. Each soul must be on the watch all way.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

The etiquette of society makes it quite impossible for men to speak to ladies in the manner which would be intellectually most profitable. We may not teach because it is pedantic, and we may not contradict because it is rude.—Philip Gilbert Hamerton.

There are a good many real miseries in life that we cannot help smiling at, but they are the smiles that make wrinkles and not dimples.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

She was forever saying kind things of stupid people; unconsciously she had illumined them with the sweet, rich glow of her own personality.—Edgar Fawcett.

Great movements rarely make much stir at the outset.—Edward Eggleston.

There are some joys so glorious they can hardly be imagined.—Archibald Clavering Gunther.

Old men are always fables for they represent in a harmless form the follies of all mankind.—F. Marion Crawford.

We wish for more in life rather than more of it.—Jean Ingelow.

Bloomers in Japan.

The all-conquering bicycle has invaded Japan, and is now a familiar sight in the land of the 'ricksha. The Europeans take to it kindly, and the little brown men and women are equally enthusiastic.

The Government has equipped many of its postmen with roadsters, especially those who deliver mail in the suburbs or in the country districts.

The Japanese people themselves still regard the wheel as a great curiosity, but are beginning to both master and manufacture it.

Some of the Japanese women, says an unkind writer, have adopted a queer bicycle costume that is a combination of the bloomers with the native dress. It is neither Japanese nor European. Combined with the upper part of the kimono costume the Japanese ladies clothe their mother limbs in what are neither knickerbockers, trousers, 200-aves nor bloomers.

The ludicrous effects are heightened by the girl having a national habit of turning up the toes in developed to its largest extent. All that you see when she passes you is a pair of round and pretty heels wobbling in an uncertain manner, and a little body coiled up that makes you think of a gay little monkey on top of a pole.—San Francisco Examiner.

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The great artificial lake situated at Diabar, twenty miles southeast of Calcutta, Rajpootana, India, covers an area of twenty-one square miles. The dam in masonry work which helps to confine this immense body of water is 1,000 feet long by 95 feet high. Engineers say that it is the largest dam in the world.

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my wife, although expecting to undergo a surgical operation, was very anxious that I should have the advantage of the trip, and my employers warmly assenting to it. I left Chicago on the third day of October. It is not my intention to tire the public with the tangle of my route. Suffice it to say that on the 21st of November I was in the city of Peking, in the north of Asia in the very complete control of the Government Transcontinental Railroad. In order to recognize the different castes of the Chinese to the Railroad it is necessary to provide separate coaches or compartments for each caste, and I was consequently surprised when we stopped at Suwanmager to find that the Chinese were not so caste-discriminatory as we had been led to believe. I was the only white man on board, and I was the only one of my race who was not a passenger. But although I found that they all took

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On the first day of my journey, I was surprised to find that I was not alone. I was accompanied by a young man, who was a friend of my cousin's. He was a very nice fellow, and we had a very pleasant journey.

The aged one, who was the real address of my cousin, seemed to be hearing the very best of me, but the young one, who was the real address of my cousin, seemed to be hearing the very best of me, but the young one, who was the real address of my cousin, seemed to be hearing the very best of me.

We were waiting near the water tower of the hotel, and I saw a very nice fellow, who was a friend of my cousin's. He was a very nice fellow, and we had a very pleasant journey.

I was coming to New York again in August, but I was not able to go. I was coming to New York again in August, but I was not able to go. I was coming to New York again in August, but I was not able to go.

Menagerie lions are treated to strange and sometimes attractive spectacles now and then. In Paris the serpent dance has been frequently performed in the cages of the supposed monarchs of the desert.

In the Wrong Place. There is a saloon on Van Buren street which was formerly occupied as a saloon. The man who now has the place has whitewashed the wall, on which were some religious texts, but the wall is still white.

He greeted me with simple dignity, expressed his obligations for my assistance in the wreck and invited me to stay with him in the evening. I was the first to arrive, and I was the first to leave.

A strong road should be, in constant and active use on the route of every township. Then will the roads speedily attain that smoothness and firmness which only wharves and every farm-house and business man desire.

He need not, for instance, come into church or the room as if he were being led to execution. He need not hang his head as if caught in the commission of a crime, or blunder about with an awkwardness which makes every girl present feel thankful she is not in the bride's shoes.

No doubt his position is painful and trying. He feels that he is the target for all eyes, when, in fact, he is nothing of the kind. Let him start by convincing himself that no one is likely to want a chance on him when there are the bride and the bridesmaid to be looked at, and he will find it easier to preserve his self-possession.

Can a worse compliment be paid to the girl he has induced to marry him than looking as if he regretted his folly? He must try to look manly, not only for her sake, but his own, for she is very likely to regret her decision at the last moment when she sees how it seems to affect him.

It is certain it is, though, that Fleming now goes about town with a very bad black eye, and is falling from his bicycle, he says.

And Frank Simpkins, who was never known to ride a horse, is telling his friends of a trip on horseback into the country one day recently. He says that he was so much of a horse-mad and neglected to watch his horse's head, which threw him carelessly into a blackberry bush.

His story is probably true, for his face bears the trace of scratches, and there's quite a bad black-and-blue spot under his left ear.

He must have explained the mystery of the wrapping paper to Fleming for on that gentleman's return to his apartment, after his friendly call upon Frank Johnson, the colored valet, was treated to a little dissertation on the value of fresh meat and the merits of his skill.

As for Madge, unless she reads this story, she will never know how Frank discovered the truth about her little flirtation.

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They Stopped Laughing. It takes a bright woman to rebuke another woman's rudeness, a general statement well borne out by the following story:

A country minister took permanent leave of his congregation in the following pathetic manner: Brothers and sisters, I come to say good-by. I don't think God loves this church, because none of you ever die. I don't think you love each other, because I never marry any of you. I don't think you love me, because you have not paid my salary; your donations are moldy fruit and wormy apples, and by their fruits you shall know them. Brothers, I am going to a better place, to be chaplain of a penitentiary, where my work cannot come; I go to prepare a place for you, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls. Good-by.

A good story is told on Champlain Street, where a letter is being sent from a young married friend in Albany asking for a pass for his mother-in-law, who was coming to make him a visit, and closing with the delicate hint: "Don't forget to have the return coupon attached."

Mr. Depey is nothing if not worldly-wise and sympathetic, and in sending the pass he wrote: "I have not neglected the return coupon, and have limited it to three days."

We can as little argue respecting the laws of the future state from those which govern the present as we can argue respecting tropical productions from the sterility of his own ice-bound snow-covered coast.

When Death Comes. "When death comes we walk down the valley of shadows, knowing that we shall find there the shining footprints of our loved ones, and confident that in due time the shining light of the resurrection will break upon the spirit and we shall be with God forever."

Just do a thing and don't talk about it. This is the secret success of all enterprises. Talk means discussion; discussion means irritation; irritation means opposition and opposition means hindrance always, whether you are right or wrong.

She Was Pale and Languid. Mrs. E. McLaughlin, 55 Parliament street, Toronto, states: "My daughter is pale, weak, languid and very nervous. Her appetite was poor and changeable; she could scarcely find herself about the house, and her nerves were completely unstrung; she could not sleep for more than half an hour at a time without starting up and crying out in excitement."

As she was growing weaker and weaker I began in favor of and got a box of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. She used this treatment for some weeks, and from the first we noticed a decided improvement in her health. In fact, better, she gained in weight, the color returned to her face, and she gradually became strong and well. I cannot say I became a lover of and got a box of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

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Items of Local Interest

Mr. J. T. Horn is in town.

R. Oleson, of Dinowic, is in town.

O. Smith, who has charge of the government diamond drill, is now engaged boring for copper near Huntsville, Muskoka district.

D. Miller, of Woodstock, was in town this week.

C.W. Francis has had a force of men raising the Shamrock this week. She has been raised about five feet already and in a few days it is expected will be afloat. About twenty tons of ice have been taken from the boat.

T. E. Blubeck came in from the Hornstake mine last night.

J. R. Bromley, of the C.P.R. staff, has been transferred to Fort William.

An expectant audience in Zion church Wednesday evening waited in vain for Rev. J. H. Hector, the "Black Knight," to deliver his lecture on "Don't." He was expected to arrive on the evening train, and had so notified the committee, but on the train's arrival it was found that he had not evidently made connection, neither had any explanation been wired the committee. Mr. P. H. Clark expressed his regrets to the audience at the disappointment.

Capt. Halstam and Capt. Gamble will visit Rat Portage and hold special meetings in the Salvation Army barracks, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst. The meeting on Monday night will be a musical one. These two officers were stationed in Rat Portage about two or three years ago, so no doubt their many friends will be glad to see them again.

W. C. Reaman of Winnipeg was in town yesterday.

A. McMichael, of Toronto, a director of the Rat Portage Hardware Co., was in town attending to business.

its first annual summer fair on July 1st to 4th.

We suppose it is natural enough that a crook should succeed in getting money out of a bank where a straight stick can't pull a dollar.

Mrs. Langford tenders her heartfelt thanks to the many friends who were so thoughtfully kind to her during her late husband's illness, and for the many expressions of loving sympathy extended to her in her bereavement.

The second annual banquet of St. George's society will be held in the Hilliard house on Tuesday evening next, April 23. The society is one of the most popular and aggressive in Rat Portage, and it is needless to say that the banquet promises to be the most successful of its kind ever held in Rat Portage.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Sullivan left Tuesday evening on a visit to Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weir left Tuesday evening on a trip to Scotland. They will visit the old home of Mr. Weir and many points of interest in the old land. They expect to be absent till some time in July.

The strike among the census enumerators for the remote section of the district is off and they will get to work at once. The department says the justice of their claim for expense money and at once forwarded a respectable amount to the commissioner.

Will Thompson, son of Capt. Thompson, left Wednesday for Beaudette. He will act as pursuer on the Maple Leaf this season.

W.D. Fullerton left for Winnipeg yesterday morning.

Capt. Thompson left last night for Ft. William.

The Ladies Hospital Aid Society will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, April 27th, at 4:30 p. m. in the town hall. All persons interested in this society and its work are invited to attend the meeting.

A Winnipegger saw an advertisement in a Montreal paper of "a pocket die escape" for \$1. He sent the money and received a copy of the New Testament.—Free Press.

Norman News.

Rev. R. Nairn preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday. The discourse was a most eloquent one, the theme being "Gentleness."

The funeral of Mrs. K. McKenzie took place Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. L. Small conducted the services.

The Methodist Ladies Aid met Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. McMurphy.

Rev. J. L. Small conducted the Christian Endeavor Tuesday. Miss Maggie Davies read an excellent paper on the subject.

On Wednesday evening the Bachdors of Norman gave a ball in Greenwood Hall. There was a large crowd present from Rat Portage. "All the beauty and chivalry" of Norman were assembled and a most enjoyable evening and morning spent.

Mr. Clarkson and family leave shortly for Port Arthur. They will be much missed here.

Capt. Williams and family have removed to Rat Portage.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

SCENES FROM CLERICAL LIFE.

By "MAX."

Rev. Donald Grant was a character. Theology made of him no old woman. He was a man. His university career was brilliant and he paid his way by winning scholarships. So that when his education was completed his numerous friends expected much. He came to Canada and received a call to Lorne Presbyterian church.

Well do I remember the first sermon. The little church was packed. He came in puffing and blowing at about ten minutes past seven and strode up to the pulpit. Then we all took a good look at him. Before us stood a man of about 40, tall but stooped. He was not handsome, but his broad massive brow combined with his shrewd looking Scotch face, gave promise of intellect and force of character. He sat down, gave his nose two or three hard pulls and announced the hymn. Everything went along rapidly and well. Then came the sermon and every eye was fixed upon him. There can be no denying it, that was a great sermon. His grand, clear, ringing voice resounded through the little church with force and power as in magnificent language he told the gospel story of Christ the good Shepherd. His illustrations were apt and striking and more than once his dry humor caused a suppressed titter to pass from pew to pew. At this a queer kind of twinkle would shine in his eyes and about them and seem to spread quickly over his whole countenance. Once in the middle of a splendid oratorical burst he lost the thread, repeated himself two or three times and then rushed frantically to his notes. But on the whole it was a success and the critics were well satisfied.

Next Sunday it was not quite so good, and the next it was worse still. His preaching would not wear well and this was always the way. His own people grew tired and strangers wondered why. But his was a great soul. He was the most charitable man I ever knew. The poor and needy always went to Donald Grant; those in trouble always brought their griefs to him. So that he grew to be much loved. His heart was most tender and he had a great love for little children. I remember once being summoned in my capacity of physician to the bedside of one of his Sunday school scholars. I found Grant there beside the little sufferer and as he watched her agony the big drops rolled down his face. At last as she grew fainter and fainter, with a sweet smile upon her little face she looked up at him and whispered, "Read about Christ and the little children, please, Mr. Grant." And then, his rich musical voice trembling with emotion, he read of the love of the great lover of children to whom she was going now. The golden sunshine fell lovingly about them bathing alike the massive head of the reading preacher and the pale brow of the dying child. Then back

that he only continued to go in a circle, he gave this up, folded his arms and waited to see what would happen next. The winds blew him back to Malby, and he put up at the hotel for the night. In the morning his wife found him in that town buying a new pair of socks, and he told her his feet were not yet dry.

But he thundred against "wickedness in high places" too much to suit certain luxurious ones, and consequently their wrath was at last brought down upon his head. He felt himself called upon to resign and the Sunday following the trouble he preached his farewell sermon. It seemed as if all his latent energy had been summoned for that occasion for it was a splendid effort. Never before had he seemed so noble, never before had his words rung out with so much power. We saw him at his best. Then those who had known him in his life of good works knew that Lorne was losing a man, and old folks of the early days whose babes had been christened by him felt their dear departed as they listened to his last words. He was gone and they had not appreciated him.

But out in another land with new courage and zeal Rev. Donald Grant is doing his best for men.

Born.

WALKER.—The wife of Wm. Walker, Second Street, on April 10th, of a daughter.

HYPNOTISM BY WIRE.

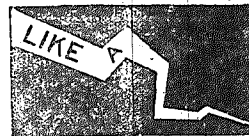
Successful Test Over a Telephone Between Denver and Pueblo.

Denver, April 11.—A test of hypnotizing by long distance telephone was performed successfully in Denver and Pueblo last night by J. Edwin Hitts of Cleveland, Ohio, and Fred H. Stouffer of Pueblo. Alonzo Coons, who has frequently been operated upon before, took his seat at a table in a Pueblo office with the receiver held fast to his ear by a steel spring, such as is used in telephone exchanges. Dr. Hitts spoke into the microphone in Denver and his voice was carried to the subject 120 miles away. A telegraph operator in the room with Coons kept the hypnotist posted by bulletins on the subject's condition. In a short time Coons was under the operator's influence and at the hypnotist's suggestion ate a bit of potato, sniffed ammonia and performed several of the common tests to prove the genuineness of the trance. Mr. Stouffer performed a similar experiment on J. H. Johnson, a subject in Denver. The same tests used on Coons were used on Johnson with success. Both subjects became rigid in the cataplectic state and doctors examined the eye balls of each and found them not at all sensitive.

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Like a flash of lightning, sudden and startling, disease strikes down many a man. Yet there have been warnings upon warnings, unheeded. Fool has lain like a heavy weight in the stomach after eating. There have been belchings, bitter risings in the mouth, nervousness, sleeplessness and growing irritability. Instead of listening to these warnings, recourse has been had to some of the nerve numbing palliatives that cover but never cure disease. Many serious diseases begin in a diseased condition of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition. For such diseases there is one medicine which rarely fails to effect a complete cure. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures ninety-eight per cent. of all who give it a fair and faithful trial. It is a temperance medicine and contains no alcohol.

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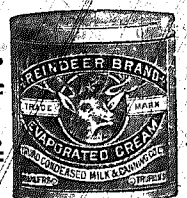
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An expectant audience in Zion church Wednesday evening waited in vain for Rev. J. H. Keeton, the "Black Knight," to deliver his lecture on "Bonté." He was expected to arrive on the evening train, and had so notified the committee, but on the train's arrival it was found that he had not evidently made connection, neither had any explanation been wired the committee. Mr. P. H. Clark expressed his regrets to the audience at the disappointment.

Capt. Halsrud and Capt. Gamble will visit Rat Portage and hold special meetings in the Salvation Army barracks, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst. The meeting on Monday night will be a musical one. These two officers were stationed in Rat Portage about two or three years ago, so no doubt their many friends will be glad to see them again.

W. C. Reaman of Winnipeg was in town yesterday.

A. McMichael, of Toronto, a director of the Rat Portage Hardware Co., was in town yesterday attending the annual meeting of the Co. He was accompanied by Mrs. McMichael.

W. Scott, of Winnipeg, immigration agent was in town yesterday.

Rat Portage assays will commence July 11th.

S. Phipps, assistant master mechanic of the C.P.R., was in town yesterday.

Wm. Clougher, proprietor of the Clougher block, who has been in town for some days left for Winnipeg yesterday.

J. E. Schweitzer, of Winnipeg, was in town Tuesday.

Edmonton has formed an industrial exhibition association and will have

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The funeral of Mrs. K. McKenzie took place Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. L. Small conducted the services.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid met Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. Murchy.

Rev. J. L. Small conducted the Christian Endeavor Tuesday. Miss Maggie Davies read an excellent paper on the subject.

On Wednesday evening the Bachlors of Norman gave a ball in Greenwood Hall. There was a large crowd present from Rat Portage. "All the beauty and chivalry" of Norman were assembled and a most enjoyable evening and morning spent.

Mr. Clarkson and family leave shortly for Port Arthur. They will be much missed here.

Capt. Williams and family have removed to Rat Portage.

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Prairie du Chien, Wis., April 15.—While cleaning shells Mrs. John Lowe, of Lansing, found a beautiful pearl. It is double saucer shape, weighs sixty-four grains and is perfect in every respect. The pearl was purchased by P. O. Heide, of this city, for \$1,000. It measures three-fourths of an inch in diameter, and is the finest gem taken from the river up to date.

Untold Agony from Salt Rheum.
Mr. Chas. F. McLean, Palmerston, Ont., says:—"I suffered untold agony and misery for years with salt rheum in my feet. I tried almost every remedy I could hear of, I was told by the best physicians I could get no more than temporary relief. I was induced to try Dr. Chase's Ointment. After one or two applications I received great relief, and when I had used two boxes I was completely cured." At all dealers, 50 cents a box.

Steam Ice Breaker.

Tests have been made with the ice-breaking steamship "Ernack" to penetrate ice in the Arctic Ocean. She steamed north from Spitzbergen, breaking through fields of ice 13½ ft. to 15½ ft. in thickness with comparative ease. She also steamed through several accumulations of ice 40 ft. thick and over 20 ft. high from the surface of the sea. Subsequently she sprang a leak through being struck in a weak part of her hull by a low-lying block of ice, and had to return to her dock at Newcastle. The "Ernack" has a displacement of 8,000 tons and 10,000 h.p. Of the total horse-power, 2,500 is developed by the forward engine, and used to drive a forward screw; but this screw was found to be useless in the polar seas. The conclusions from these tests are that an ice-breaking steamship must not only be strengthened in her front part down to the water-line, but the whole extent below the water.—The Mechanical Engineer.

Mrs. David Wood of Kingston attempted suicide by taking poison, but was prevented.

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He was at times most forgetful and absent-minded as many scholars and thinkers often are. He studied and travelled round so much that he could do nothing else, and was most awkward very often. One day he crossed from Lorne to Malby in a row-boat. It was a fair evening and he got along tolerably well. He stayed late. It was exceedingly dark, he was a poor oarsman and the wind was high. Consequently he was barely half way home when he was dashed against a rock. One oar broke and for about ten minutes he rowed with all his might with the other one. Finding

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Reports of an attempt to assassinate Mr. Kuyper and the capture of Gen. French by the Boers are both discredited.

Over 2,000 Italian laborers have arrived at Montreal in a destitute condition, within the past few months. They claim that they were deceived by people connected with the steamship companies.

The Mayor of Ottawa has received a letter from Lady Minto, in which she suggests the raising of a fund to establish "cottage hospitals" to commemorate the reign of the late Queen. An anonymous donation of \$2,000 has already been received by Her Excellency.

Preparing For Moral Sunstion.

"Don't you believe in moral sunstion?" asked the neighbor.

The indignant father stopped with the switch poised in the air.

"Of course I do," he answered. "I tried it once, and I'm going to try it again just as soon as I lick this boy hard enough so that he'll know enough to be ruled by it the next time I try it. Yes, sir, moral sunstion is a great thing, and I'm going to teach this boy how good it is if I have to wale the life out of him to do it. He doesn't appreciate its advantages yet."

A Great Baby.

Tommy—Did you know about that baby that was fed on elephant's milk, pop, and gained 20 pounds a day?

Tommy's Pop (indignantly)—No, I didn't. Whose baby was it?

Tommy—The elephant's baby, pop.—Scraps.

There are only three remaining of the original 13 crosses built by King Edward I to mark the resting place of Queen Eleanor's funeral procession. One is near Northampton, one Waltham Cross, the third at Charing Cross.

Four miles from Bath, England, is a mysterious monument known as the Three Shires Stone. From it you can see parts of Somersetshire, Gloucestershire and Wiltshire.

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